



Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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Favorable Weather Aids Harvest

Agricultural Summary

For the week ending September 13, average weekly temperatures ranged from two degrees below normal to six degrees above normal. All stations reported below normal precipitation. Major agricultural activities included irrigating, caring for livestock, and harvesting alfalfa, dry beans, small grains, and potatoes.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Reports indicate topsoil moisture to be 13% very short, 37% short, 50% adequate, and 0% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Field Crop Report

Winter wheat planting is 19 percent complete statewide. The Power County extension educator reported localized frost on several nights. Statewide, barley and spring wheat harvest is 83 and 90 percent complete, respectively. Plum and prune harvest is 79 percent complete.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

No livestock problems were reported. Range and pasture conditions were reported 62 percent in either good or excellent condition. The third and fourth cutting of alfalfa is at 62 and 21 percent complete, respectively.

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2009	2008	Avg.
Field Corn Harvested for Silage	18	8	20
Potato Vines Dying/Killed	68	53	69
Dry Beans Harvested	69	37	45
Lentils Harvested	100	93	98
Oats Harvested for Grain	88	74	86
Alfalfa Hay 4 th Cutting	21	18	36
Peaches Harvested	85	74	89
Onions Harvested	40	28	35

Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Range & Pasture	0	13	25	55	7
Potatoes	0	1	5	85	9
Irr. Water Supply	0	5	11	64	20

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg
Spring Wheat Harvested	100	96	99	100	100	100	98	99	99	83	83	92	90	89	95
Barley Harvested	98	97	99	99	100	100	99	96	99	74	73	87	83	82	91
Winter Wheat Planted	13	7	5	26	15	16	14	21	18	28	15	22	19	12	14
Potato Harvested	NA	NA	NA	59	49	52	13	9	15	3	1	4	9	6	10
Alfalfa Third Cutting	NA	NA	NA	96	89	96	77	92	93	29	33	52	62	66	77

Avg (2004 – 2008); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

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Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, September 13, 2009 ^{1/}

Station	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation		Since Mar 1 Precipitation		Growing Degree Days Since March 1		
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Base 40 Total	Base 50 Total	Base 50 DFN
North											
Coeur D' Alene	87	45	61	-2	0.12	-0.16	10.62	0.45	3474	2004	21
Grangeville	85	37	60	3	0.09	-0.33	14.19	-0.19	3334	1872	389
Lewiston	93	47	68	2	0.09	-0.12	5.59	-1.03	4613	2909	318
Porthill	85	39	58	1	0.21	-0.14	10.97	1.78	3172	1727	166
Winchester	87	34	59	4	0.00	-0.35	12.44	-1.42	2749	1411	389
Southwest											
Boise	92	39	67	3	0.00	-0.21	8.31	2.78	4311	2625	141
Emmett	90	41	65	2	0.00	-0.21	6.98	1.52	4228	2599	207
Glenns Ferry	92	39	66	4	0.02	-0.12	8.45	4.18	4252	2610	211
Grandview	94	36	66	2	0.00	-0.14	3.78	0.15	4266	2584	-85
Nampa	92	40	66	3	0.02	-0.14	4.02	-0.77	4259	2582	90
Parma	95	41	67	5	0.00	-0.21	4.19	-1.08	4389	2693	339
South Central											
Fairfield	86	27	57	1	0.00	-0.21	7.65	1.4	2583	1232	-142
Malta	87	31	60	-1	0.00	-0.21	7.47	0.64	3270	1773	-104
Picabo	86	34	63	6	0.00	-0.21	7.80	2.05	3145	1745	256
Rupert	86	37	62	3	0.00	-0.14	5.27	0.40	3414	1905	-23
Twin Falls	87	38	63	4	0.00	-0.16	6.44	1.49	3691	2119	280
East											
Aberdeen	85	35	60	3	0.00	-0.14	7.51	2.38	3207	1745	112
Ashton	82	28	56	0	0.01	-0.34	10.81	0.74	2553	1192	-62
Fort Hall	85	33	61	2	0.00	-0.21	8.19	1.45	3198	1739	-96
Idaho Falls	86	33	62	4	0.00	-0.21	7.30	1.16	3276	1784	58
Lava Hot Springs	85	36	61	2	0.00	-0.21	10.69	4.37	3121	1675	-160
Montevieu	83	31	56	-2	0.00	-0.15	5.88	-0.04	2819	1417	-213
Preston	86	41	64	4	0.00	-0.28	9.78	1.68	3517	1977	53
Rexburg	85	28	58	3	0.02	-0.26	8.73	1.21	2757	1343	4

1/ Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit www.awis.com or call 1-888-798-9955.